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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re United States Patent No. 6,439,445

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**CORRECTION OF ENTITY STATUS AND PAYMENT AUTHORIZATION FOR DEFICIENCY**

**OWED UNDER 37 CFR 1.27(g) and 1.28(c)**

Sir/Madam:

In the above-identified patent, entitlement to small entity status was correctly asserted at the time of payment of the issue fee, i.e., July 3, 2002. The first and second maintenance fees were paid in good faith in accordance with the asserted small entity status. However, loss of entitlement to small entity status occurred after issuance of the patent and prior to the first maintenance fee payment due date. Failure to notify the Office of the loss of entitlement to small entity status as required by §1.27(g)(2) occurred through error and without deceptive intent.

The following submission of deficiency payment and itemization are submitted to meet the requirements of 37 CFR §1.28(c). Applicant respectfully requests the total deficiency payment be processed as set out below and that the error be excused.

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Furthermore, Applicant understands that under 37 CFR 1.28(d) this submission is treated under 37 CFR 1.27(g)(2) as a notification of loss of entitlement to small entity status. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests the deficiency payment be processed and the correct entity status be accorded to the application.

**ITEMIZATION AND CALCULATION OF THE DEFICIENCY OWED**

DATE PAID	TYPE OF FEE	SMALL FEE ACTUALLY PAID	(CURRENT) LARGE FEE APPLIED	DEFICIENCY AMOUNT OWED
02/27/2006	First maintenance fee §1.20(e)	\$450.00	\$1130.00	\$665.00
03/01/2010	Second maintenance fee §1.20(f)	\$1240.00	\$2850.00	\$1610.00

**TOTAL DEFICIENCY PAYMENT OWED: \$2275.00**

Applicant hereby authorizes the Commissioner to deduct the total fees of \$2275.00 from the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-5957. Please deduct any additional maintenance or maintenance surcharge fees from, or credit any overpayment to, the above-noted Deposit Account.

Please note that the undersigned agent is acting in a representative capacity.

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